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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on 20-4-2000.

BILL NO. 78 OF 2000

A Bill further to amend the President's Emoluments and Pension Act, 1951.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Fifty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the President's Emoluments and Pension (Amendment) Act, 2000.

Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. In the President's Emoluments and Pension Act, 1951 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), after section 2, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

Insertion of new section 2A.

"2A. The spouse of a person who dies—

Family pension to spouse of President.

(a) while holding the office of President, or

(b) after ceasing to hold office as President either by the

**expiration of his term of office or by resignation of his office,
shall be paid a family pension at the rate of fifty per cent of pension
as is admissible to a retiring President, for the remainder of her life.".**

Insertion of new
section 3A.

**3. After section 3 of the principal Act, the following section shall be
inserted, namely:—**

Free accommodation
to spouse of
President.

**"3A. Subject to any rules that may be made in this behalf, the
spouse of a person who dies—**

(a) while holding the office of President, or

**(b) after ceasing to hold office as President either by the
expiration of his term of office or by resignation of his office,**

**shall be entitled to the use of unfurnished residence without payment
of licence fee, for the remainder of her life.".**

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The President's Emoluments and Pension Act, 1951, *inter alia*, provides for the emoluments of the President and pension to retiring Presidents. Sub-section (2A) of section 2 and section 3 provide for medical attendance and treatment, free of charge, to the spouse of a retired President for the remainder of her life. Apart from this, the spouse is not entitled to any other pensionary benefits. It would be just and proper that the spouse of a retired President, after the death of the latter, while holding or after demitting office, gets suitable pension and accommodation so that the spouse can maintain a reasonable standard of living for the remainder of her life.

2. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objective.

NEW DELHI;

The 10th March, 2000.

L. K. ADVANI.

PRESIDENT'S RECOMMENDATION UNDER ARTICLE 117 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

[Copy of letter No. 1/1/97-M&G dated 5th April, 2000 from Shri L. K. Advani, Minister of Home Affairs to the Secretary-General, Lok Sabha.]

The President, having been informed of the subject matter of the President's Emoluments and Pension (Amendment) Bill, 2000, recommends the introduction of the Bill in Lok Sabha under article 117(1) of the Constitution and also the consideration of the Bill by Lok Sabha under article 117(3) of the Constitution.

G. C. MALHOTRA,
Secretary-General.

